

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_

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Introduced by: Duncan

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Dr. Henry J. Heimlich for his outstanding accomplishments in the field of medicine and for his continued dedication to find cures for cancer and HIV.

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich received his Bachelors of Arts degree from Cornell University in 1941 and his Medical Degree from Cornell Medical College in 1943;*

*Whereas, Since 1945, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich's career is notable for the abundance of creative simple solutions he has provided for seemingly insurmountable health and medical problems;*

*Whereas, In 1974, Dr. Heimlich published his findings on what was to become the Heimlich Maneuver;*

*Whereas, Since it's introduction in 1974, The Heimlich Maneuver has saved 50,000 people in the United States from*



*choking and drowning;*

*Whereas, While assigned to a U.S. Naval Group in China during World War II, Dr. Heimlich took a chance with an innovative treatment for victims of trachoma and successfully treated hundreds of people;*

*Whereas, In the 1950's, a month after completing training in general and chest surgery, Dr. Heimlich conceived of an operation to replace the esophagus;*

*Whereas, The esophagus replacement was the first total organ replacement in history and is used today to overcome birth defects of the esophagus;*

*Whereas, in 1964, the Heimlich Chest Drain Valve was introduced;*

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich is considered a hero in Vietnam and the United States, where the lives of thousands of American and Vietnamese soldiers shot in the chest were saved for the first time in history by the Heimlich Chest Drain Valve;*

*Whereas, Today more than 250,000 Heimlich valves are used worldwide each year to treat patients with chest wounds, or following surgery;*

*Whereas, In 1980, Dr. Heimlich conceived of the Heimlich MicroTrach™;*

*Whereas, During the 1980's Dr. Heimlich also developed a method for teaching stroke victims and other patients who were fed through a tube to swallow again;*

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich was inducted into the Safety and Health Hall of Fame International in 1993;*

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich received the Maimonides Research Institute Award (Haifa, Israel) in 1992;*

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich received the Americanism*



*Award from the China Burma India Veterans Association in 1988;*

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich received the American Academy of Achievement Award in 1985;*

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich was inducted into Engineering and Science Hall of Fame, Dayton in 1984;*

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich received the Albert Lasker Award, New York in 1984;*

*Whereas, Today, Dr. Heimlich has turned his attention to two devastating illnesses for which medicine has not yet found a cure - cancer and HIV; and*

*Whereas, Dr. Henry J. Heimlich is to be commended for his numerous accomplishments in the field of medicine and for his continued dedication to meet the ever-increasing medical needs of mankind: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives do honor Dr. Henry J. Heimlich for his outstanding accomplishments in the field of medicine and for his continued dedication to find cures for cancer and HIV.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this Resolution to Dr. Henry J. Heimlich.

